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### EDUCATIONAL GATHERINGS IN JANUARY

The Council of Church Boards of Education will meet at Wallace Lodge, Yonkers, N. Y., January 7 and 8, 1924.

The denominational college associations will meet on Wednesday and Thursday forenoon, January 9 and 10.

On Thursday afternoon, January 10, a mass meeting at the Hotel Astor, New York City, is planned to consider the place of religion in higher education in America. Among the speakers are President E. B. Bryan of Ohio University, Athens and Bishop Thomas Nicholson of Chicago.

The same topic will be considered at the opening session of the Association of American Colleges on Thursday evening at the Hotel Astor, the principal speaker being President Marion L. Burton of the University of Michigan. The Association will continue in session until noon Saturday, January 12.

*Hotel reservations should be secured at once.*

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## CALENDAR OF EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS

JANUARY 7-12, 1924

**Monday, January 7**

10:00 A. M.

*Annual Meeting of the Council of Church Boards of Education, Wallace Lodge, Yonkers, N. Y.*

Continues for two days, including evenings. Detailed program on page 134.

**Tuesday, January 8**

9:30 A. M.

*Annual Meeting, Council of Church Boards of Education, Wallace Lodge, Yonkers, N. Y.*

**Wednesday, January 9**

9:30 A. M.

*Meeting of the Board of Education of the Methodist Protestant Church with the presidents of educational institutions of this denomination, Wallace Lodge, Yonkers, N. Y. Session Thursday morning at Hotel Astor, New York City. Presidents Ward, Feeman, May and Elderdice will lead in the discussion of subjects vital to the work of this Board.*

*Annual Meeting of the Educational Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Hotel Astor, New York City. Day and evening sessions, continuing Thursday morning.*

*Annual Meeting of the National Lutheran Educational Conference, Hotel Astor, New York City. Tentative program on page 137. Day and evening sessions, continuing Thursday morning.*

10:00 A. M.

*Annual Meeting of the Presbyterian College Union, Room No. 725, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City. Tentative program on page 136. Morning and afternoon sessions, continuing Thursday morning.*

*Committee on College Standards, American Council on Education, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City.*

2:30 P. M.

*The Annual Meeting of Presidents of Baptist Schools, Colleges and Seminaries, Hotel Astor, New York City. (Two sessions—second to be announced later.)*

7:30 P. M.

*Meeting of Presidents of Colleges of the Disciples of Christ, Hotel Woodstock, New York City, continuing Thursday morning.*

**Thursday, January 10**

9:30 A. M.

*Association of Presidents of Baptist Schools, Colleges and Seminaries, Hotel Astor, New York City. (Opened Wednesday.)*

*Presidents of Colleges of Disciples of Christ, Hotel Woodstock, New York City. (Opened Wednesday.)*

*Board of Education and College Presidents of the Methodist Protestant Church, Hotel Astor, New York City. (Opened Wednesday.)*

*Educational Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Hotel Astor, New York City. (Opened Wednesday.)*

*Presbyterian College Union, Room No. 725, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City. (Opened Wednesday.)*

*National Lutheran Educational Conference, Hotel Astor, New York City. (Opened Wednesday.)*

10:00 A. M.

*The Association of Colleges of Congregational Affiliation, Hotel Astor, New York City. There will be but one session and the Association will adjourn to unite in the mass meeting Thursday afternoon. There will be a round table discussion of leading issues and interests*

of the colleges of the Congregational group, led by President G. W. Nash, of the Congregational Foundation for Education.

2:00 P. M.—GENERAL SESSION.

*Public Mass Meeting under the auspices of the Council of Church Boards of Education*, Hotel Astor, New York City. Subject, "The Place of Religion in Higher Education in America." Addresses by President E. B. Bryan, of Ohio University and Bishop Thomas Nicholson, of Chicago.

6:30 P. M.

*Banquet and Opening Session of the Association of American Colleges*, Hotel Astor, New York City. Tickets, \$3.50 per plate. Addresses on "The Place of Religion in Higher Education in America," by Presidents H. M. Gage and Marion LeRoy Burton.

Continues through Friday (including evening) and Saturday forenoon.

Friday, January 11

9:30 A. M.

*Association of American Colleges*, Hotel Astor, New York City. Reports of Commissions; complimentary luncheon to presidents of institutions granting scholarships to French students. Evening session at Columbia University followed by reception at the Faculty Club.

Saturday, January 12

9:30 A. M.

*Association of American Colleges*, Hotel Astor, New York City. Business session.

12:00 M. Adjournment.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF CHURCH BOARDS OF EDUCATION

Wallace Lodge, Yonkers, N. Y.

JANUARY 7 AND 8, 1924

**Monday, January 7**

10:00 A. M.

Opening Address, Dr. Stonewall Anderson, President of the Council.

Annual Reports, Drs. R. L. Kelly, O. D. Foster, Secretaries, and Dr. E. P. Hill, Treasurer.

Appointment of Committees.

2:00 P. M.

Report of the University Committee, Dr. Frank M. Sheldon.

Courses in Religious Education at Columbia University:

(a) Academic Courses, Chaplain Raymond C. Knox.

(b) Professional Courses, Miss Adelaide T. Case.

Discussion, The Rev. Paul Micou, Leader.

Personal Evangelism, Professor Henry B. Wright, Yale University.

Discussion, Dr. Warren F. Sheldon, President W. O. Mendenhall, Leaders.

7:30 P. M.

*"Examples of Cooperation Drawn from the Year's Work."*

Team Visitation, Miss Mary E. Markley (10 minutes).

An Inter-Mountain Union College, Dr. John L. Seaton (10 minutes).

Westminster College, Salt Lake City, Utah, Dr. Frederick E. Stockwell (10 minutes).

Carleton College, Dr. George W. Nash (10 minutes).

Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel, Dr. Frank W. Padelford.

**Tuesday, January 8**

9:30 A. M.

Report of Special Committee on North Central Association Endowment Requirements, Dr. H. O. Pritchard (10 minutes).

Report of the Committee on Life Work, Dr. William H. Crothers, Chairman.

- (a) The Life Work Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and kindred organizations in other churches, Dr. A. E. Worthley, Secretary Commission on Life Service.

- (b) Student Aid Problems.

Relating College Work in Religious Education to the Secondary School Course, President E. E. Rall.

Discussion, Dr. J. E. Bradford, Leader.

2:00 P. M.

The American University Union in Europe, Dr. George E. MacLean, Retiring Director of the London Office (10 minutes).

Report of Special Committee on Relations with Foreign Students, Dr. Robert L. Kelly, Chairman.

The Foreign Student Survey, Mr. Charles D. Hurrey, General Secretary, Committee on Friendly Relations (10 minutes).

The Foreign Student in the University, the Rev. Hugh Moran, Pastor, Presbyterian Students, Cornell University (10 minutes).

The Negro Student in the University, Dr. George E. Haynes, The Federal Council of Churches of Christ (10 minutes).

Reports of Standing Committees: College, Religious Education, Survey, Finance and Financing.

Unfinished Business.

8:00 P.M.

*"The Relation of the Theological Seminary to Other Agencies of Christian Education."*

From the Standpoint of the Seminary, President E. S. Tipple, Drew Theological Seminary (20 minutes).

From the Standpoint of the Student, Mr. Henry VanDeusen, Union Theological Seminary (20 minutes).

Discussion, Dr. A. W. Harris, Leader.

Denomination college associations meet on Wednesday and Thursday morning, January 9 and 10.

## Thursday, January 10

2:00 P. M. Public Mass Meeting, Hotel Astor, New York City. *"The Place of Religion in Higher Education in America."*

In a University, Dr. Charles O. Wright, Pastor, Baptist Students, University of Pennsylvania.

From the Standpoint of Education, President Elmer B. Bryan, Ohio University.

From the Standpoint of Religion, Bishop Thomas Nicholson, Chicago, Ill.

7:30 P. M. Opening Session, Annual Meeting, Association of American Colleges, Hotel Astor, New York City.

*"The Place of Religion in Higher Education in America."*

President Harry M. Gage, President of the Association.

President Marion L. Burton, The University of Michigan.

The annual Meeting of the Association will continue through Friday and Saturday forenoon, January 11 and 12, 1924.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM OF THE MEETING OF THE  
PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE UNION

JANUARY 9 AND 10, 1924

Place of Meeting: Room No. 725, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

10:00 A. M. Devotional half-hour, President Frederick W. Hawley, Park College.

10:30 A. M. "Our Colleges from the Pastor's Viewpoint," by a New York City pastor.

*Discussion*

11:30 A. M. "The Permanent Traditions in Our Civilization," President George L. Mackintosh, Wabash College.

*Discussion*

12:30 P. M. Recess.

2:00 P. M. "The Colleges and Our Critics," President F. W. Lewis, Emporia College.



*Discussion*

- 3:00 P. M. "The Colleges and Our Board," by the officers of the Board of Christian Education.  
 3:30 P. M. Business.

*Thursday, January 10*

- 9:30 A. M. Devotional half hour, President S. T. Wilson, Maryville College.  
 10:00 A. M. Address by the Honorable John H. Finley, of *The New York Times*.  
 10:45 A. M. Round Table Discussion of College Problems.  
 11:30 A. M. Business.  
 12:15 P. M. Adjournment.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM  
OF THE  
NATIONAL LUTHERAN EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

*President, OTTO MEES, Columbus, Ohio*  
*Secretary, R. E. TULLOSS, Springfield, Ohio*  
 HOTEL ASTOR, NEW YORK  
 JANUARY 9 AND 10, 1924

*Wednesday*

- 9:30 A. M.  
 "The Limitation of Attendance at Church-supported Colleges."—President Lars Boe, St. Olaf College.  
 "The Problem of the Self-supporting Student."  
     —Dean Horace F. Martin, Wittenberg College  
 "The Social Life of Our College Students."  
     —President Chas. G. Smith, Roanoke College
- 2:00 P. M.  
 "Religious Education in the Program of Our Church."  
     —Professor S. G. Hefelbower, Ph.D., Carthage College  
 "The Control of Our Educational Institutions."  
     —President J. A. W. Haas, Muhlenberg College  
 "Extension Work: Its Possibilities and Problems."  
     —Professor Isaac Miles Wright, Ph.D., Muhlenberg College

"Desirable College Courses for Students Expecting to Enter Our Seminaries."

—A group of ten-minute speakers

Business.

*Wednesday Evening—Banquet.*

"A Survey of the Last Forty Years of Higher Education in the United Lutheran Church."

—President Harvey D. Hoover, Carthage College

"A More Definite Service to the Church and to the Congregations on the Part of Our Colleges."

—Rev. J. Henry Harms, Philadelphia

*Thursday—Address.*

—Rev. Prof. J. Stump, Northwestern Seminary

9:30 A. M.

"Inter-Synodical Cooperation in Educational Work."

Speakers to be announced

"What of the College Woman?"

—Dean Gertrude E. Hilleboe, St. Olaf College

"A Personnel Service for Our Lutheran Institutions."

—President R. E. Tulloss, Wittenberg College

Business Session.

Reports of Secretary and Treasurer.

Election of Officers.

2:00 P. M.

Joint Session with the Council of Church Boards of Education. Speakers:

—President E. B. Bryan, Bishop Nicholson and others.

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Tentative Program  
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF  
AMERICAN COLLEGES  
HOTEL ASTOR, NEW YORK CITY

JANUARY 10-12, 1924

NOTE: By invitation of Columbia University, the Friday evening session will be held in Kent Hall; all other sessions at the Hotel Astor.

Thursday, January 10

*Evening*

7:00 P. M.

Annual Dinner.\*

*"The Place of Religion in Higher Education in America,"*

President Harry M. Gage, Coe College, President of the Association.

President Marion L. Burton, The University of Michigan.

Friday, January 11

*Forenoon*

9:30 A. M.

*Report of the Executive Committee*, Dean Charles N. Cole, Oberlin College, Secretary-Treasurer.

9:40 A. M.

*Report of the Commission on Faculty and Student Scholarship*, Dean Frank W. Nicolson, Wesleyan University, Chairman.

Report presented by President Frank Aydelotte, Swarthmore College,

*Discussion.*

10:25 A. M.

*Report of the Commission on the College Curriculum*, Dr. Robert L. Kelly, Chairman.

Report presented by Dr. Clyde Furst, Secretary of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

*Discussion.*

11:10 A. M.

*Report of the Commission on Psychological Tests and*

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\**Informal.* Reservations at \$3.50 per plate should be sent with check to the Association of American Colleges, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

*Methods of Rating*, President Walter D. Scott, Northwestern University, Chairman.

Report presented by Dr. R. W. Husband, Director of Personnel Research, Dartmouth College.

*Discussion.*

11:55 A. M.

*Report of the Commission on Academic Freedom*, President Henry N. MacCracken, Vassar College, Chairman.

*Discussion.*

12:10 P. M.

*Report of the Commission on College Architecture*, President Frederick C. Ferry, Hamilton College, Chairman.

*Discussion.*

12:45 P. M.

*Special Complimentary Luncheon*, details to be announced later.

*Afternoon*

2:00 P. M.

*"Foreign Students in American Colleges,"* Dr. Stephen P. Duggan, Director, The Institute of International Education.

2:15 P. M.

*"A Plan for Studying the American Liberal College,"* Dr. C. L. Clark, Formerly Dean, Beloit College.

2:30 P. M.

*"The Function of the Liberal Arts College in a University,"* Dean Frank W. Chandler, McMicken College of Liberal Arts, University of Cincinnati.

Dean Herbert E. Hawkes, Columbia College, Columbia University.

*General Discussion.*

*Evening*

KENT HALL, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

7:30 P. M.

*"Education and National Transportation,"* Dr. Thomas E. Finegan.

8:00 P. M.

*"The Responsibility of the College for Our Educational Integrity,"* Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

8:30 P. M.

*General Discussion.*

9:00 P. M.

Reception to the members of the Association and their friends in the parlors of the Faculty Club (400 West 117th Street), Columbia University.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

9:30 A. M.

*"The American University Union in Europe,"* Dr. George E. MacLean, Retiring Director, London.

9:45 A. M.

*"The Delaware Plan of Undergraduate Foreign Study,"* President Walter Hulihan, University of Delaware.

10:00 A. M.

*"Developing Opportunities for Foreign Travel and Study for American College Students and Teachers,"* Mr. Marcus M. Marks.

10:15 A. M.

*Discussion.*

10:30-12:00 A. M.—Business Session.

12:00 M. Adjournment.

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## WHAT "OUR BOARD" IS DOING—1923

### *A Secretarial Symposium*

#### THE WORK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

GEORGE R. BAKER, *Associate Secretary*

The outstanding event of the year has been the retirement of Dr. Ernest D. Burton from the Chairmanship of the Board. Since the organization of the Board in Philadelphia in 1911 he has held this responsible position. To our educational interests as represented in the activities of this Board, he has devoted himself with untiring energy. He has brought to the Board his keen analytical insight, his unprejudiced mind, his warm sympathies, his wide

experience, and his well-balanced judgment. To a large extent he has determined the policies and directed the activities of the Board during this entire period.

Dr. Clarence A. Barbour has been chosen as the Chairman of the Board. He has been a member of the Board ever since its organization and has been active in the whole life of the denomination. No better choice could possibly have been made.

We give below a table showing the progress of our schools:

	Value of Buildings and Land	Amount of Endowment
1897.....	\$15,594,601	\$8,944,153
1912.....	27,034,749	34,566,233
1917.....	31,930,381	45,577,118
1922.....	48,783,983	73,769,418

Ten years ago many of our schools were deeply concerned as to how they might attract students. Today most of them are struggling with the problem as to what to do with the crowds of students who are asking the privilege of an education. In 1919 the reported attendance of our schools and colleges was 26,462; in 1922 the total was 31,158, an increase of seventeen per cent. in three years. The enrollment for this year is still larger.

During the past three years Baptist schools and colleges have received through the Board of Education more than six millions of dollars. This does not represent the increased resources of the denominational schools for many of them have received funds through the General Education Board, alumni, and other sources which would not come through the channels of our Board. This six millions of dollars of increased resources is more significant as the greater benefit has come to the newer and weaker institutions.

Sioux Falls University in South Dakota has just completed the erection of a gymnasium.

Linfield College in Oregon has built a new gymnasium and refitted a science laboratory.

Bucknell University in Pennsylvania has erected a new engineering building and enlarged its chemistry building and has collected funds for a stadium.

The Frances Shimer School for Girls in Illinois has erected a new dormitory.

Grand Island College in Nebraska has been improving its properties but suffered a great loss from the tornado which destroyed their heating plant and gymnasium and damaged several other buildings. Repairs and new buildings have been completed.

Perhaps the finest building erected during the past year is the new chapel at Denison University in Ohio.

Cook Academy and Keuka College are conducting a campaign for endowment; their objective is \$350,000.

Suffield Academy in Connecticut is planning in the near future to start a campaign for an endowment of \$350,000.

Peddie Institute is asking for \$100,000 in the immediate future.

The Berkeley Divinity School has a conditional offer of \$25,000 and is attempting to raise the required \$50,000 in order to receive the benefit of this offer.

These are just samples of what all the schools are planning. Nothing is as expensive as growth. The work in the universities has gone well. It is being demonstrated that the university pastor is a great recruiting officer. Many of the graduates of the state universities are studying in our theological seminaries.

Gradually we are meeting the necessities of the situation and providing residences and material equipment for the university pastors. There is a residence for the university pastor at Iowa University. In Nebraska we have secured a building which is used for the university pastor's residence and student social center; the plan is for remodeling and enlarging.

At Columbus the Wayland Foundation has been buying land adjacent to the church and near the university which will make possible a building program.

During the past year the Board has organized a department known as the Teachers' Bureau for the purpose of bringing teachers and schools together. Many teachers and not a few schools have used our good offices in this matter.



### EDUCATIONAL BOARD THE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

J. S. NOFFSINGER, *Secretary*

The Church of the Brethren during the year 1923 has made progress in the field of Christian Education as follows:

1. The appointment of a full-time Executive Secretary for their General Educational Board.
2. The appointment of an Educational Commission, consisting of seven members, by the General Conference, to study the educational problems and conditions of the church, and to formulate a general educational program and policy for the church as a whole. To this end a thorough survey of her nine colleges, her one theological seminary, her needs and her obligations, is now in the process of being made.

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### EDUCATION IN THE YEAR 1923 IN THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

W. A. HARPER, *General Secretary*

The year 1923 was spent in reorganizing our Christian educational work in accordance with the resolution adopted October 17, 1922, by the General Convention as follows:

"The Convention shall elect not more than eleven persons, who with the Secretary of the Department of Christian Education, shall constitute a Board of Christian Education, the secretary of the department being president ex-officio. This board may declare vacancies in its membership for cause, subject to an appeal to the Executive Board of the Convention. It shall have charge of all the Convention interests connected with Christian education, and shall survey, outline, promote and direct a full program of Christian education and training for Christian life and service reaching from our homes through our churches, communities, schools and colleges, and shall fraternally co-operate with similar departments in other denominations and with organizations having similar objectives."

We have issued a pamphlet on Plans and Suggestions, employed a field force adequate for our present needs, and entered upon a twenty-year reorganization program along the Interna-



## CORRELATION CHART—The Church School

SUNDAY SCHOOL	WEEK-DAY INSTRUCTION	CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR	RECREATIONAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES	MISSIONARY AND BENEVOLENT ACTIV.	EXTENSION WORK
Children's Division					
Cradle Roll	Kindergarten			Cradle Roll	
Beginners	W. D. R. S. D. V. B. S.				
Primary	W. D. R. S. D. V. B. S.				
Junior	W. D. R. S. D. V. B. S.	Junior		Willing Workers, Glad Gleaners	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Young People's Division					
Intermediate	W. D. R. S. D. V. B. S.	Intermediate	Scouts, Camp Fire	Intermediate	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Senior	W. D. R. S. D. V. B. S.	Intermediate	Scouts, Camp Fire	Intermediate	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Young People (18-20)*	L. T. C., I. H. L.	Senior	Department Activities	Young People's	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Young People (21-24)*	L. T. C., I. H. L.	Senior	Department Activities	Young People's	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Adult Division					
Organized Classes	L. T. C.	Church Prayer Meeting	Adult Div. Activities	Miss'nary Soc., Ladies' Aid, Brotherhood	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Parents' Classes	L. T. C.	Church Prayer Meeting	Adult Div. Activities	Miss'nary Soc., Ladies' Aid, Brotherhood	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.
Department of the Home	P. T. C.	Private Devotions	Home Duties	Home Duties	R. & C. Courses S. S. and C.

EXPLANATION: W. D. R. S.—Week-Day Religious School; D. V. B. S.—Daily Vacation Bible School; L. T. C.—Local Training Class; I. H. L.—Institution of Higher Learning; Bible and Religious Education Departments; P. T. C.—Parents' Training Classes; R. & C.—Courses—Reading and Correspondence Courses, the Correspondence Courses to be administered by the Department of Christian Education in co-operation with the Colleges; S. S. and C.—Summer School and Conferences, preferably held at the Colleges, the general NOTE: The Administrative Division will have the same activities as the Division to which the workers individually belong, the general workers being classified with the Adult Division. The R. & C. Courses and S. S. and C. will have special reference to them in their professional equipment.

\*Married young people should be classified in the Adult Division.

tional Divisional lines. The Correlation Chart appended will briefly comprehend the ideal toward which we are working.

### THE CONGREGATIONAL EDUCATION SOCIETY

F. M. SHELDON, *General Secretary*

The Congregational Education Society covers the entire religious education program of the denomination, and in fact its entire educational program except the work among backward races, the work on foreign fields, and our own academies and collegiate institutions. Its program covers Sunday schools, young people's work, student work, recruiting, and it is responsible for the work in tax-supported colleges and universities. Social education and missionary education also come under its direction.

The most significant development of the past year has been a new sense of the necessity for organizing the adult educational effort of the churches. Religious education is a social process. The boys and girls in whom we seek to develop the spirit and attitude of Jesus on Sunday go back into homes and out into a world largely controlled by adults. The attitude of these adults either supports and strengthens the teaching we are trying to give them on Sunday, or undermines and negatives it. Thus we are having driven home to us the necessity of getting a new and better Christian attitude on the part of our adults in their homes, in their social life, in their business, in their racial, in their political and in their international attitudes. We are strengthening our adult department with a view to securing these results.

We are also making special effort to do better in the adolescent period to prepare our youth for the experiences of college and university life, to give them a religious background sufficiently modern and sufficiently definite to help them adjust their thinking and at the same time keep them in close touch with the church. The Massachusetts State Conference has just appointed a committee, for which the Education Society will do the executive end of the work, which committee is to study the relationships between the churches and the higher educational institutions of the state.

The work in the Student Department is developing splendidly under the leadership of Secretary Harry T. Stock, who has been with us now something over a year, and is proving an excellent man for that work.

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Digest of  
REPORT OF THE CONGREGATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR  
EDUCATION, AS PRESENTED TO THE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL

October, 1923

GEORGE W. NASH, *President*

This is the first biennial report of The Congregational Foundation for Education, a new agency of the church that has been commissioned to carry forward a work centuries old. Copy of the complete report is printed in the Grey Book, sent out to Council members prior to the biennial meeting. In the complete report, the initial steps in the Foundation's life are recounted and the story is told, briefly, of how an extended survey of Congregational institutions convinced the Commission on Missions and the National Council of 1921 that a Foundation for education is needed if the intimate relations of the church to institutions is to continue and if Congregational educational ideals are to survive.

The report recites how the Foundation was organized and names the eminent men, nationally representative, who were chosen to serve as its eighteen trustees. It tells of eight important Board meetings and of the selection of a president. It states in brief the objectives of the Foundation and outlines its policy. It speaks with satisfaction of the fact that the Foundation is recognized in the regular church apportionment.

The endowment campaign, already authorized by the Council at Los Angeles, is referred to and assurance is given that the drive for funds will be launched in due time. It is pointed out that missionary help has been extended to thirty institutions, \$19,000 being distributed during the last half of 1922 and \$62,000 during the following fiscal year.

It is stated that through personal visits and official reports, the Foundation has been in a position to render discriminating

aid, and to protect benevolent churches and individual givers. It is pointed out that the Foundation contemplates an efficiency division for the purpose of practical assistance and guidance to schools seeking aid. It is mentioned that while some schools have been rescued, others not being able to hold out have been closed, at least temporarily.

The report shows how the president has been endeavoring to take the Foundation to the churches through a series of conferences held throughout the country, and also how the Association of Colleges of Congregational Affiliation welcomes and commends the new organization. It suggests the desirability of organizing College Clubs in our churches, not as a financial enterprise, but chiefly for the purpose of telling Congregationalists how our educational institutions are functioning. In it the plan of helping individual colleges in their campaigns is stressed as an important function.

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#### BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

H. O. PRITCHARD, *General Secretary*

*Report for the Fiscal Year, 1922-1923*

The year just closed has witnessed the reorganization and enlargement of the Board in accordance with the recommendations of the two International Conventions at Winona Lake; and the election of sixty directors, representing all sections of the United States and Canada.

Twenty-five colleges and their allied institutions cooperate in the work of the Board; 9,887 students were enrolled last year in the cooperating colleges, a gain of 581 over the preceding year; 996 students are now in our colleges preparing for full time Christian service. This is a gain of 52 over the preceding year.

Eighteen hundred and eighty-five churches were listed as contributors to the Board of Education and cooperating colleges for current support, a gain of 177 over the previous year. The annual offerings of the churches to the Board of Education for current maintenance last year amounted to \$369,858.75 as against \$207,135.25 for the preceding year. The offerings of churches

and individuals for current support amounted to \$502,051.37 as against \$322,198.08 the preceding year.

There was a gain last year in the endowment funds of our colleges amounting to \$589,561.55. In 1915 the total endowment of the colleges cooperating with the Board of Education was \$4,000,000. The endowment of the same institutions is now more than \$8,000,000. In the same period the total assets of these colleges have advanced from \$8,311,603.76 to \$16,237,870.64.

In ten years the reported annual offerings from the churches have increased from \$7,158.31 to \$369,858.75; in eight years the total offerings from churches and individuals have increased from \$19,528.13 to \$502,051.37.

*High Points for the Present Missionary Year, 1923-1924*

The following recommendations were unanimously adopted by the International Convention at Colorado Springs:

We note with great satisfaction and encouragement the splendid work done and the remarkable advance made during the past missionary year, as set forth in the Annual Report of this Board. Realizing as we do the pressing needs and strategic opportunities which are before us as a people in the field of education, and believing that this Board, as now reorganized and enlarged, is in better position than ever to enter into these open doors of service, we recommend as forward steps in the program of work for the present missionary year the following objectives:

1. Inasmuch as during the past year the churches as such gave to the Board of Education and the cooperating colleges, for the current support of them, the sum of \$369,853.75, which is an advance of approximately 75 per cent. over the offerings of the preceding year; and inasmuch as a survey of the needs of these colleges shows that the deficits of the colleges last year were more than \$150,000 on current expenses; we therefore recommend that we ask of the churches for the coming year one-half million dollars from their budgets and offerings on Education Day for the cause of Christian Education.

Inasmuch as churches and individuals have contributed during the past year the sum of \$597,565.73 for the current maintenance of the colleges cooperating with the Board of Education, we therefore recommend that the total goal from churches and individuals

for the coming year for the current support of these colleges and of the Board itself be \$750,000.

2. In view of the great challenge which has come to our people to endow our colleges, through the gifts of the General Education Board of New York and through the great gifts of some of our own laymen; and in view of the urgent need of our colleges for greatly increased endowments; we therefore commend the action of the Board of Education in setting up a department of endowments for the purpose of carrying on this work, and urge upon our churches and individual Disciples to support generously this worthy work. We rejoice in the recent successful completion of some of these endowment campaigns and note with satisfaction the encouraging progress which other campaigns are making, and urge upon our churches and individual Disciples the generous support of this worthy cause.

3. We recommend that Go-to-College Sunday, which is being observed by our churches, be enlarged and promoted, and that the day be used for the gathering of funds from the Sunday schools, the Endeavor societies, and from the churches themselves, which funds shall be used by our Board of Education for the assistance and support of worthy students in our colleges who are preparing for definite Christian service. The administration of such funds will be worked out in cooperation with the local college, located in the territory from which the funds are gathered. We note with interest that all the great Boards of Education have such funds and that they are being used mightily in the producing of a trained leadership in the respective communions.

4. We note with satisfaction the reorganization of the Board of Education and are pleased to know that Board is now in position to RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER ANNUITIES, BEQUESTS, TRUST FUNDS AND PERMANENT FUNDS, and are pleased to learn such funds are now being received by the Board. We commend this organization as worthy of such support.

5. Because of the lack of a clear definition of work and clear demarcation of fields in the work of our national agencies, and in view of the consequent overlapping and duplication of effort, the consequent inefficiency of our work as a people in some fields, and the misunderstandings which arise in the minds of the people

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because of this confusion of effort; we therefore, desiring to approach our problems as a brotherhood and look at them from the standpoint of the whole work, earnestly and sincerely request the International Convention to instruct the Budget Commission which now exists to make a study of these problems and to make definite recommendations to our national agencies as to allocation of work and clear definition of fields.

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#### BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH, 1923

EDWARD EVERETT RALL, *Secretary*

The Board of Education of the Evangelical Church has been in existence for one year, having been organized upon the union of the former Evangelical Association and the United Evangelical Church. This Board has general oversight over the following institutions of higher education in the church: North-Western College, Naperville, Ill.; Albright College, Myerstown, Pa.; Western Union College, Le Mars, Ia.; Schuylkill College and School of Theology, Reading, Pa.; and the Evangelical Theological Seminary, Naperville, Ill. The Board does not administer finances nor does it have funds sufficient to employ a full time or even part time secretary. As a result it has been unable to do the work that might well be done in the interests of Christian education within the bounds of the Evangelical Church.

The chief work of the past year has been the promotion of the observance of Education Day on April 22, 1923, throughout the bounds of the church. Literature on Christian education, including a pamphlet and an attractive colored poster, as well as letters, was sent to all of the pastors of the church. In addition, special education numbers of the church periodicals were issued at the Board's suggestion.

At the present time there is under way a survey of the institutions under the supervision of the Board, the Committee in charge being composed of the presidents of the various institutions who are *ex-officio* members of the Board. It is hoped by this survey not only to unify and correlate the work of the colleges but also to bring more forcibly to the attention of the church the service and needs of its educational institutions.

The Board has also done some work in looking after the spiritual welfare of Evangelical young people attending institutions of learning other than those of the Evangelical Church. This work is done through representatives of the Board, approved by each annual conference of the church, who are assigned the task of getting in touch with Evangelical students in the institutions located within the bounds of such conference. At the present time a second method of reaching these students is in the process of formation whereby a student-pastor, i. e., a student actually in attendance upon the institution, is appointed in each of such institutions to look after the interests of other students and to bring them into touch with the representatives of the Board.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION  
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A. W. HARRIS, *Corresponding Secretary*

Although the year 1923 has been a difficult one for financial campaigns, several undertakings among us approximating a pledged total of \$5,000,000 have been completed. Denver University received the largest single gift of the year in the form of real estate valued at \$1,500,000.

The total number of graduates from our schools this year was 7,537, an increase of twenty-nine per cent. over last year's figures which represented a gain of twenty-five per cent. over the preceding year. These figures for 1922 and 1923 are successively the highest we have achieved.

A new administration building has been completed and a second dormitory begun at Murphy Collegiate Institute, Sevierville, Tenn. We are concentrating our attention upon three of our Southern schools in an effort to complete their material equipment as promptly as possible and at the same time strengthen their teaching forces.

If the hopes of all concerned are realized, 1923 will be remembered in our annals for the launching of the Intermountain Union College in Montana by the consolidation of a Presbyterian and a Methodist institution. This union, consummated after mature deliberation with the hearty consent of the local church



organizations and the two Boards of Education, indicates an earnest purpose and a determined effort to establish in Montana a college exemplifying the best educational ideals that may serve as an example for many struggling institutions in other states.

Our colleges and universities as a rule have received generous support from local conferences and constituencies. Our theological seminaries, which had 229 graduates this year, have never enjoyed similar support in any large measure. Serving the church as a whole and graduating ministers and professors, their constituencies have never been "compact together" in any particular locality, and their endowments have not grown as rapidly as their needs. Definite attention has been attracted to these conditions and we are trying to find a way to secure more substantial support for these vital and growing institutions from the entire church. The General Conference next year may be able to deal helpfully with this problem.

*Wesley Foundation Report for 1923*

One of the most significant features of the Centenary quadrennium has been the rapid development of the Wesley Foundation movement, due in part to the increased resources of the Board of Education and even more to the broadening of the activities of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, and the sympathetic attention of the officers of the Boards to this strategic field.

The beginnings of definite interest in Methodist students at other than Methodist institutions, especially those at the tax-supported colleges and universities, reach back into the closing quarter of the nineteenth century. A Bible class for students of the Kansas Agricultural College, which has been maintained in our church at Manhattan for several decades, has a remarkable record. Fully sixty of the members of this one class have found their way into the ministry and mission fields of several denominations. This early work was done so quietly by the people of the local church that the Methodism of Kansas hardly realized its value and has not even yet in any adequate way rallied to its support.

Other points of early interest were Urbana, Illinois and Ann Arbor, Michigan. Trinity Church, Urbana, was organized,

located and built to minister to the Methodist constituency in the University of Illinois. At Ann Arbor a substantial fund for the endowment of a lecture course primarily for the Methodist students in the University of Michigan was raised. About twenty years ago Wesley College began its unique career in connection with the University of North Dakota. A few years later the Reverend E. W. Blakeman was appointed for work among the students at Madison, Wisconsin. In 1913 the first Wesley Foundation was organized under the far-sighted leadership of Dr. James C. Baker. Its object was the assistance of a local church in a student parish having a broad basis for its program and bespeaking the support of it from the Methodists of the state.

The Board of Education began to make a few appropriations of \$500 or less for the assistance of this phase of religio-educational activity. In 1916 the General Conference created and directed a Joint Committee of the Board of Education and the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to supervise and encourage this work. The appropriations of the Board of Education gradually increased until they reached a total for eighteen points of work of \$6,000 for the year 1919.

Then the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension in connection with its Centenary survey sent Dr. James C. Baker on a tour of the state colleges and universities and at least a score of new Wesley Foundation items were written into the district programs of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. This particular action made possible the emergence of the Wesley Foundation movement, organized by the General Conference of 1916, as a recognized department of our church activities.

Meanwhile a few Annual Conferences had begun to assign a portion of their public educational collection to Wesley Foundation enterprises and the Board of Education continued to increase its appropriations. By combining district and Annual Conference contributions, Home Missions and public educational items with direct appropriations from the two boards, a common fund was provided and passed to the administration of the Wesley Foundation Joint Committee. This fund has risen from \$42,000 in 1920 to \$105,000 in 1923. The organized points of work have

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increased from eighteen in 1919 to sixty-six in 1923, in thirty-seven different states. Despite this marked increase in appropriations the Committee has not been able in any year to meet the valid requests for aid, and cannot meet them this year without at least a twenty per cent. increase in the total appropriation.

The foregoing figures refer to items for the maintenance of forty-one full time Methodist workers and a score of part time helpers at fifty-eight different points, and of ten inter-church pastors and workers maintained cooperatively by Baptist, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian appropriations in addition to local contributions. Twelve years ago there were no inter-church pastors and only four or five Methodist full time workers in this field.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION  
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

STONEWALL ANDERSON, *General Secretary*

Some of the outstanding accomplishments of the Board of Education during the past year are:

1. The third year of the five-year period of the *Christian Education Movement* has been carried on with vigor. The pledges secured in 1921 are being collected, and new pledges have been taken this year amounting to several hundred thousand dollars. This department of work is directed by a connectional secretary with headquarters at the general office, assisted by thirty-seven Conference assistant secretaries, all giving their full time to carrying forward the *Movement*.

2. Much attention has been given to religious education in its relation to the colleges of the church, to state institutions of higher learning, and to students of the primary and high schools. Several important conferences have been held with the leaders of our own church, and of other churches on the subject. The Board for the first time in its history made this year an appropriation for the promotion of religious education in institutions conducted by the state. At its last session the Board made a statement setting forth its position on the subject of religious education as follows:

"RESOLVED, That this Board of Education places upon record its conviction that moral and religious instruction should be given to children of every age, and also to college and university students. Such instruction should be given to children without cost to the state, and should be offered as optional courses in tax-supported colleges and universities, as is already done in some states. These optional courses should receive equal credit with courses of like intellectual and cultural value."

3. In cooperation with the Board of Missions and the Sunday School Board, eleven summer schools for ministers and Christian workers have been established. Correspondence courses in theology have been given to 1,053 young ministers during the year.

4. The department of Life Service has been quite active in recruiting and cultivating candidates for the ministry and other forms of Christian service.

5. A Teachers' Bureau, the chief purpose of which is to assist the schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to secure teachers, and the teachers trained in these schools to secure positions, has been organized.

6. The question of consolidating and correlating the several connectional boards of the church was before the General Conference of 1922, and the following action was taken:

"That the General Conference authorize, and does hereby create, a Commission composed of six clerical and nine lay members, three of whom shall be women, for the ensuing quadrennium, for the purpose of working out the details and legal requirements of a plan (which shall hereinafter be suggested) for the consolidation of the general boards of our church."

It was suggested to the Commission by the General Conference, "That all the work of our church be related under four general boards if possible." The Commission was instructed to report its findings to the next General Conference which meets in May, 1926.

During the five-year period of the *Christian Education Movement*, November of each year has been set aside for laying special emphasis upon the different phases of the work of education.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE METHODIST  
PROTESTANT CHURCH, 1923GEORGE H. MILLER, *Executive Secretary*

The denominational budget of the Methodist Protestant Church is participated in by the Board of Education and the educational institutions of the denomination. The money raised for Christian Education is distributed by our Board to the several institutions of the church. Hence, one important phase of our work is that of aiding in securing the largest possible returns from this budget. Our office cooperates with the other general Boards of the church and with the presidents of the Annual Conferences in propaganda in the interest of one hundred per cent. returns.

Upon this Board rests the responsibility of presenting the claims of the Christian ministry to the young men in our local churches and in our educational institutions and assisting those who hear the call by means of a loan for college and seminary courses.

Our Board in a small way is building up a Student Loan Fund in the interest of young people without regard to their chosen field of life work.

In the interest of a wider knowledge of the educational institutions of the denomination a Christmas program is issued for use in our Sunday schools. These programs set forth the educational program of the church and carry advertising material in the interest of each of our schools.

Through Annual Conference visitation, visits to local churches, assistance given in Young People's Summer Conferences, articles in church papers, and personal correspondence, this office seeks to promote a wider appreciation of the importance of Christian education.

Our annual meeting this year brought together in addition to the Board itself the presidents of our institutions and prominent pastors and laymen. Dr. Kelly, Secretary of the Council of Church Boards of Education, brought a much needed message to our group. Three papers read at this meeting were published in a booklet and circulated among the pastors of the denomination and other prominent leaders.

Our colleges enrolled the largest student body in the history of our church and real aggressive campaigns are being outlined by some of our institutions.

GENERAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.EDGAR P. HILL, *General Secretary*

At the General Assembly held in Indianapolis last May the General Board of Education gave its final report as a distinctive agency of the church, it having been merged into the Board of Christian Education, in which its work will appear hereafter as the Division of Christian Education in Educational Institutions.

A review of four years' work of the Board showed that in three years there had been appropriated to the colleges for current expenses more than had been given to them for that purpose in the seven preceding years. The Challenge Fund has accomplished some substantial results. From this fund the Board gave to the colleges in two years for endowment and equipment as much as had been given in the eight preceding years.

The most inspiring showing was that which relates to the colleges themselves under the Board's leadership. Tentative pledges from the Challenge Fund stimulated the colleges to heroic effort in securing funds, with the result that in two years there was added to the assets of the colleges the sum of \$10,774,222, which was almost a million dollars more than had been secured for such purposes in the seven years preceding the adoption of the Challenge Fund plan.

Generous aid has been extended to students, 768 having been aided during the year. The Rotary Loan Fund has been of large assistance in this respect. According to the provisions of the fund any worthy young person ready for college who needs aid and gives promise of Christian usefulness is eligible to the benefits of the plan. For each loan the beneficiary gives to the General Board of Education a series of four notes, each for twenty-five per cent. of the amount borrowed. The plan of repayment in easy installments after graduation has been evolved after a careful study of practically all the known types of student loan funds.

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EDUCATIONAL WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND MINISTERIAL RELIEF  
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE  
UNITED STATES

HENRY H. SWEETS, *Secretary*

*General*

By the consolidation of its Executive Agencies in 1904, all of the educational work of the Presbyterian Church U. S. (Southern), with the exception of the Sunday school, was entrusted to the Executive Committee of Christian Education, No. 410 Urban Building, Louisville, Ky. This includes the promotion of the work of schools and colleges, with 4 theological seminaries and 3 training schools, 18 colleges, 10 junior colleges, 28 preparatory schools, 21 mountain mission schools and 13 orphans' homes and schools, a total of 99 institutions with 989 faculty members and 13,015 students. The staff of the Executive Committee, consisting of from 25 to 40 men and women, is used in campaigns in various states. Ten million dollars have been secured in cash and pledges within the past four years. This work is being continued and a total of \$12,000,000 will soon be reached.

*Life Work*

Great emphasis has been laid upon the work of recruiting for the ministry and mission service. The Life Work Secretaries, Mrs. Hazen Smith and Miss Charlotte B. Jackson, are visiting schools, colleges, churches, Presbyterials and Synodicals. The Louisville office has in recent years been in touch with fifteen thousand of the choice youth of the church. The life purpose of these is being discovered, vocational guidance is being given by means of addresses, personal interviews, letters and specially prepared literature. Stories and leaflets have been prepared for beginners, juniors, intermediates and adults which are carrying their message to the youth of the church at these impressionable periods of life. For the past three years there has been an unprecedented offering of life for the service of Christ and the church. From "The Funds of Education for the Ministry and Mission Service," \$70,810 was distributed in the form of loans of from \$50 to \$400 last year to 423 candidates for the ministry

and mission service. This is the largest number ever aided and \$25,000 more than the amount ever forwarded before. Students have been aided in colleges, seminaries and technical or professional schools. Aid is granted in the form of loans to be repaid in money or in service to the church. Notes given by candidates are credited with the difference between the salary received after graduation and \$1,600 and a manse, or \$1,800 without a manse.

### *Schools and Colleges*

By direction of the General Assembly, the Executive Committee is trying to save our educational institutions by securing equipment and endowment which will enable them to meet the serious crisis to which they have come. During the past year the Presbyterian Educational Movement of the Synods of Kentucky U. S. and U. S. A. resulted in adding in cash and pledges \$1,326,000 to the resources of the institutions of that state. The movement in West Virginia has added more than \$1,000,000. Work is still being carried on there, a campaign for \$406,000 in the Synod of Arkansas has reached the goal sought, and our staff is now serving the Synod of Texas, where \$1,350,000 is sought.

"College Day" is observed early in September in an increasing number of the churches. Usually a banquet is given during the week and a sermon preached on Sunday to help and inspire the students in the high school and those who are going off to college. The "Day of Prayer for Colleges" is observed the last Sunday in February. The Sunday closest Christmas is observed throughout the whole church as Vocation Day. The largest emphasis is being placed on the Christian College. Hundreds of thousands of pages of literature are sent out to the churches, Sunday schools, societies and individuals each year and many full page paid advertisements are carried in all of the church papers.

### *Presbyterian Students in State Educational Institutions*

There are now in 22 of the 26 State Universities, A. and M. Colleges and Technical Schools of the Southern States 40,470 students, of whom 5,215 come from Presbyterian homes. The church must look after the Christian nurture of these men and

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women. A good pastor, a well-equipped building and a live, working church are needed at each of these institutions. There are also in 34 of the 46 state normal schools in the bounds of our church 26,050 students enrolled this year, of whom 2,564 come from Presbyterian homes. The General Assembly has directed the Executive Committee to allocate \$25,000 this year as a "Challenge Fund" to assist the local churches and Synods to overtake the responsibilities of this work.

*The Westminster Teachers' Bureau*

When the educational work began to expand and such a large number began to volunteer for life service, "The Westminster Teachers' Bureau" was organized. Through this agency our own institutions are aided in finding trained, capable, Christian teachers and helpers. The youth of the church who desire to serve are aided in securing positions in schools and colleges and as assistants in churches and other forms of Christian service. This department has grown so that today it is able to serve Christian teachers of any denomination who desire larger fields of service and all institutions that are seeking Christian teachers or officers.

Several years ago "The Presbyterian Educational Association of the South" was formed from a conference of the officials of our schools, colleges and seminaries with official representatives of the various synods. Annual meetings are held for two or three days, in which all the educational problems of the church are discussed, plans for the future made, and the educational interests solidified.

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ACTIVITIES, 1923, OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION, PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

PAUL MICOU, *Secretary*

*The creating of lesson and teacher training material is going forward. A quarter of a million scholars are now using the Christian Nurture Series which was begun thirteen years ago. The Series is constantly being revised and several revised courses were published during 1923. The Teacher Training Course is in thirty units, of which a number have been published.*

The purpose and spirit of the *Christian Nurture Series* is given as follows in the book, "The Educational Opportunity of the Churchman":

"This kind of religious training is called 'nurture,' to distinguish it from mere teaching of facts. Its aim is compound, rather than simple. It is usually described as fivefold, i. e., looking not only as of old in the two directions of information and memory, but along the new paths of activity, such as worship, loyal compliance with the institutional customs of the church, and practical helpfulness to others. These are the ideas which have led to the construction of the system of teaching and training which now bears the name of '*Christian Nurture*' and which within a few years has been adopted by more than half the schools of this church.

"Although the attempt has been made to embody or exemplify *Christian Nurture* in a series of textbooks, it is properly not a given number of volumes, issued by a particular publishing house, but rather a program of teaching and training based on certain fundamental principles, organically connected. It is a great educational experiment in which hundreds of the best leaders of childhood are engaged at the present moment. It is not a finished product, but a growing organism of educational endeavor, the result of at least twenty years of patient and progressive experiences. The existence and work of these groups of experimenters in religious education, and the systematic effort to bring their experiences together into a carefully ordered program which can be made useful to the whole church are among the most hopeful characteristics of the present life of the church."

The *Young Peoples' Movement* is gripping the imagination of the Episcopal Church and branches are springing up everywhere. Several Dioceses have organized Young Peoples' Councils to direct this work. The department itself has published a handbook for the guidance of local workers.

One of the best expressions of the Young Peoples' Movement is the attendance of youth at the *Church Summer Schools*. There are now thirty such summer schools lasting from five to ten days and at several of these the young people are in the majority. College students are being used as counsellors for groups of young people at these summer schools.

*Week Day Religious Instruction* is being given in cooperation with public schools in over one hundred and twenty cities of the

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United States, in all but three of which the Episcopal Church is vigorously cooperating with other denominations.

The coordination of the activities of the children in *The Church School Service League* is proving a most advantageous development. In 1922 the children gave \$113,000 in their offerings, and in 1923 have sent boxes to 489 missions, the 110,000 gifts within the boxes being valued at \$66,000.

*Religious education of the home* has been greatly promoted by the publication of a course of Daily Bible Readings, of which 100,000 copies have been purchased.

*The student work of the year* has been very successful. The reports from the sixty-eight Units of the National Student Council show that the Units reach about sixty per cent. of the Episcopalians of their respective student bodies. Three provincial conferences of students were held, and four are planned for 1924. The students have adopted as the objective of their gifts for the current academic year the rebuilding of a portion of St. Paul's University, Tokyo. There is soon to be published a *Manual of Prayer for Students*.

One of the most important publications of the department during the year has been *The Church's Inquiry Into Student Religious Life*, the report of the seven "student inquirers," themselves college pastors who have been working for three years to develop policies based on their local experience. The report won immediate acceptance, and the stock is already exhausted.

Negro students have been organized in their own National Student Council to parallel the work which has been carried on among the white students. This Council will have its office, budget and secretary in The American Church Institute for Negroes of the Episcopal Church.

The promising work reported last year in *Dramatics and Pageantry* received a setback when the Commission on that subject was eliminated from the budget of the Department in February due to necessary economies.

The Commission on *Theological Education and Recruiting* for the Ministry is facing a number of important problems. It is making a careful study of the situation in parishes which pay small salaries in order to ascertain whether the salaries and equip-

ment of such parishes cannot be improved and whether men can be recruited who will serve such posts, especially in the West, during their early ministry. The Commission is publishing a syllabus on the procedure of Diocesan boards of examining chaplains and this in turn affects the teaching of the seminaries. The Commission is studying scholarships both in the college and in the seminaries for men who are going into the ministry. It is studying the problem of how education, religious pedagogy and psychology should be taught in a theological seminary.

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### REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA

WILLARD DAYTON BROWN, *Corresponding Secretary*

Within the past decade the charter of the Board of Education has been amended to allow for a much wider activity. Prior to this change in the charter, the only function of this Board was a granting of financial aid to students for the ministry. With the change in the charter the work of recruiting was assigned to this Board, the aiding of medical missionary students was authorized and a new relation to the whole subject of education in the Reformed Church in America established. The schools, colleges and seminaries are still to be aided as far as possible by this Board but the Board is also given the power of initiative in all phases of work entrusted to it. The relations with the educational institutions are defined as of counsel, advice and co-operation. The Board thus sustains toward the institutions a relation of practical oversight. It is expected to be the agency of the Church in which our educational interests head up. The General Synod of 1922 appointed a Committee to survey the Boards of the Church and report with suggestions for such changes as appear to be in the interest of efficiency. This Committee reported to the Synod of 1923 recommending the consolidation of the Board of Education and the Board of Publication and Bible School Work. This report was referred back to the Boards for study and recommendation and the Committee continued to report to the Synod of 1924.

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## THE SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1923

A. E. MAIN, *Assistant Corresponding Secretary*

The Board is making increased efforts to give all possible assistance to Alfred College, Alfred, N. Y.; Milton College, Milton, Wis.; Salem College, Salem, West Virginia; a school in Fouke, Ark., and to our increasing educational work in Shanghai, China, where at the earliest possible date two fine buildings will be erected, one for boys and one for girls.

Alfred Theological Seminary, one of the children of the Seventh Day Baptist Education Society, is historically and legally a part of Alfred University, having the same president and the same board of trustees. For administrative purposes, it is recognized by the trustees and at Albany as a separate school; practically it is a school of Religious Education at Alfred University. About all the work that college students elect in the major of Religious Education is done in the Seminary.

Alfred has more students this year having the ministry in view than it has had for years.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE  
UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST

WILLIAM E. SCHELL, *General Secretary*

Most encouraging progress has attended our work the last year. Some new records have been made which discount all previous achievements.

For the first time in our history as a denomination we secured a million dollars in a single campaign for one institution of learning. This was accomplished for Otterbein College for the year closing in June, 1923, and nearly all of it was for endowment.

Bonebrake Theological Seminary opened the new scholastic year in its new plant, Dayton, Ohio. The new campus comprises twenty-six acres and the buildings are all new, the whole costing the best part of a million dollars.

These two victories make the year memorable in the educational history of the United Brethren in Christ. But in addition, Philomath College, Philomath, Oregon, secured two new buildings; Indiana Central College, Indianapolis, erected another dor-

mitory, and gathered \$200,000 more for its work; Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pennsylvania, laid the foundation for a campaign to secure \$600,000 for endowment, and said campaign is on right now with victory assured. All our church schools have made progress in their financial undertakings.

The attendance showed a gain of sixteen per cent. over the preceding year.

Excellent revivals of religion were realized at nearly all our schools.

Interest in gathering recruits for Christian callings is at high tide, with emphasis on preparation. Several of our colleges had enough student ministers attending to make a good-sized theological seminary.

In addition to the work of gathering recruits for ministerial and missionary service, we are stressing the importance of Christian teachers for our public schools and Christian officials for city, county, state and nation. Our public schools, if they are to be of real value, must build both intelligence and character into the oncoming generation. This cannot be done without great armies of Christian teachers. And good laws, with honest enforcement, wait on conscientious Christian men and women for positions of public trust. I believe that the Christian colleges throughout our country should quicken their pace toward these two ends, the production of Christian teachers for the public schools and Christian officials for places of public service. The issues of the Republic are involved in this problem.

#### THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

JOHN E. BRADFORD, *Corresponding Secretary*

The significant facts in connection with our work this year are the following:

The reorganization of the agencies of our church whereby our Young People's work and work of recruiting men for the ministry have been assigned to this Board. The Board has been organized on a departmental basis. The Department of Young People's Work is to be under the direction of Mr. Moses M.

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Shaw, of Braddock, Pa., who assumes charge on December 1st. The other departments of work will be under the control of the Corresponding Secretary who will be assisted by departmental committees.

During the summer months the Secretary was afforded an enlarged opportunity for participation in the program of Presbyterian and Synodical Bible Conferences. Those attended were: Fort Morgan, Colo.; Pacific Palisades, Cal.; Lisebuela, Wash.; Monmouth, Ill., Muskingum at New Concord, Ohio; Xenia, Ohio; Westminster at New Wilmington, Pa., and the National Convention of Y. P. C. U. at Sterling, Kans.

The months of October, November and December have been largely taken up with the holding of Educational Institutes throughout the northern part of Ohio Valley area. Thirty-eight such institutes each usually consisting of an afternoon and evening session have been or will be held. Between these a supper session with music and short talks is usually held. This has been found a very effective way of carrying our educational program down to the mass of the people.

#### THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

FREDERICK G. GOTWALD, *Executive Secretary*

In re-reading the statement of our Board for 1922 as published in *Christian Education* one year ago it becomes apparent that little additional information can be given, as that statement fully reported the program as adopted at the General Convention of the Church in Buffalo in October, 1922. Hence this year it need only be said that this program has been consistently pushed in its several phases throughout the present year, namely: Appropriations for current expenses for our twenty-five beneficiary institutions have been maintained; the Department of Recruiting, with the cooperation of the Laymen's Movement, has enlarged its usefulness and increased the results of its efforts; the movement in behalf of a standard women's college has steadily progressed, and early in 1924 it is expected that a directorate will have been constituted and incorporation secured, a bequest of \$20,000 having greatly stimulated this whole movement; the De-

partment of University Work has devoted its efforts to the work of expansion of its facilities in the non-church institutions of the Northwest and Pacific Coast, thus completing the organization in behalf of Lutheran students in all sections of the country; the first six graduates of the pro-seminary in Kropp, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, have reached America and are now in American Seminaries for the remaining two years of their theological preparation. These are some of the developments in the progress of the program as outlined one year ago.

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